

approval number, if applicable; (4) the description of the need for the information and its proposed use; (5) the agency form number, if applicable; (6) what members of the public will be affected by the proposal; (7) how frequently information submissions will be required; (8) an estimate of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information submission including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response; (9) whether the proposal is new, an extension, reinstatement, or revision of

an information collection requirement; and (10) the name and telephone number of an agency official familiar with the proposal and of the OMB Desk Officer for the Department.

This notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Request for Withdrawals from Replacements Reserves/Residual Receipts Funds.

OMB Approval Number: 2502—pending.

Form Numbers: HUD-9250.

Description of the Need for the Information and its Proposed Use: The proposed information is to be submitted by multifamily project owners to request authorization to withdrawal funds from Replacements Reserves funds and/or Residual Receipts Funds. Invoices, receipts, and other documentation are submitted with the request.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions, State, local or tribal government.

Frequency of Submission: On occasion averaging once per annum.

	Number of respondents:	Annual responses:	×	Hours per response:	=	Burden hours:
Reporting Burden	8,500	8,500		0.50		4,250

Total Estimated Burden Hours: 135.

Status: This an existing collection in use without an OMB control number.

Authority: Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 35, as amended.

Dated: December 3, 2003.

Wayne Eddins,

*Departmental Reports Management Officer,
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Information Collection To Be Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Approval Under the Paperwork Reduction Act; Division of International Conservation Requests for Proposals

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (We) will submit the collection of information described below to OMB for approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act. An estimate of the information collection burden is included in this notice. If you wish to obtain copies of the proposed information collection requirement, related forms, and/or explanatory material, contact the Service Information Collection Clearance Officer at the address listed below.

DATES: You must submit comments on or before February 9, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments and suggestions on specific requirements to the Information Collection Clearance

Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222-ARLSQ, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request a copy of the information collection submission, explanatory information, and/or related forms, contact Anissa Craghead, Information Collection Clearance Officer, at 703-358-2445 or electronically at Anissa_Craghead@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OMB regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies be given an opportunity to comment on information collection and record keeping activities (*see* 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). We are submitting a request to OMB to approve: (1) The revision of the collection of information for four of our multinational species conservation grant fund requests for proposals (Form numbers 3-2214 through 3-2217), and (2) the addition of two new requests for proposals (Form numbers 3-2263 and 3-2264). We are requesting a three-year term of approval for this information collection activity. Federal agencies may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control number for this collection of information is 1018-0123.

Revisions to the currently approved requests for proposals include updating application forms to: (1) Comply with new Government-wide policy directing all funding programs to request Dunn & Bradstreet registration from all applicants; (2) reformat to comply with new Government-wide policies prescribing a standard RFP format; (3) add additional instructions for

applicants; (4) request from domestic applicants the submission of standard forms 424, 424a, 424b and DI 2010; and (5) reformat the application cover page form to fit on one page. In addition, two new requests for proposals have been added to the information collection in order to meet our obligations under the requirements of the Convention on Nature Protection and Wildlife Preservation in the Western Hemisphere. The two new requests for proposals and associated forms will be translated into Spanish for the convenience of our Latin American and Caribbean applicants. The new requests for proposals (forms 3-2263 and 3-2264) are noted in the table below. In addition, this information collection is currently titled, "Multinational Species Conservation Fund Requests for Proposals." Due to the addition of two new requests for proposals that are not part of the Multinational Species Conservation Fund, we are proposing to change the title of this information collection to "Division of International Conservation Requests for Proposals."

The information obtained from the first four requests for proposals listed below will be used to select conservation projects for grant funding in accordance with the criteria in several Acts of Congress. The Acts of Congress include the African Elephant Conservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 4201-46), the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 5301-06), the Asian Elephant Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 4261-4266), and the Great Ape Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 6301-6305). The information obtained from the final two requests for proposals will be used to select conservation projects for grant funding in accordance with the U.S. Government's obligations under the Western Hemisphere Convention, and

authorized by the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531-43). The following table lists the

requests for proposals, with their respective burden estimates, that we

plan to submit to OMB for approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

Name of request for proposals (RFP)	Form No.	Estimated time to complete	Total annual responses	Total annual burden hours
African Elephant Conservation Fund RFP	3-2214	12	60	720
Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Fund RFP	3-2215	12	70	840
Asian Elephant Conservation Fund RFP	3-2216	12	50	600
Great Ape Conservation Fund RFP	3-2217	12	60	720
Wildlife Without Borders-Mexico RFP*	3-2263	12	40	480
Wildlife Without Borders-Latin America & the Caribbean RFP*	3-2264	12	55	660

* **Note:** These are new information collections.

Title: Division of International Conservation Requests for Proposals.

OMB Number: 1018-0123.

Service Form Numbers: 3-2214 through 3-2217, 3-2263 and 2-2264.

Frequency of Collection: Annually.

Description of Respondents: Foreign governments; domestic and foreign non-governmental organizations and individuals.

Total Annual Responses: 335 responses.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 4,020 hours.

We invite comments concerning this collection on: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden on the public; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond.

Dated: November 21, 2003.

Anissa Craghead,

Information Collection Clearance Officer,
Fish and Wildlife Service

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Receipt of Applications for Endangered Species Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications for permits.

SUMMARY: The public is invited to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species. We provide this notice pursuant to section 10(c) of the

Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

DATES: We must receive written data or comments on these applications at the address given below, by January 9, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1875 Century Boulevard, Suite 200, Atlanta, Georgia 30345 (Attn: Victoria Davis, Permit Biologist).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Victoria Davis, telephone (404) 679-4176; facsimile (404) 679-7081.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The public is invited to comment on the following applications for permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species. If you wish to comment, you may submit comments by any one of the following methods. You may mail comments to the Service's Regional Office (*see ADDRESSES* section) or via electronic mail (e-mail) to victoria_davis@fws.gov. Please submit electronic comments as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Please also include your name and return address in your e-mail message. If you do not receive a confirmation from the Service that we have received your e-mail message, contact us directly at the telephone number listed above (*see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT* section). Finally, you may hand deliver comments to the Service office listed above (*see ADDRESSES* section).

Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the administrative record. We will

honor such requests to the extent allowable by law. There may also be other circumstances in which we would withhold from the administrative record a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

Applicant: Mark D. Farr, Contractor for U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, Vicksburg District, Vicksburg, Mississippi, permit number TE079841-0.

The applicant requests authorization to take (handle and release) the Ouachita rock pocketbook (*Arkansia wheeleri*) while conducting presence/absence and population demography surveys and individual tagging/markings in the Little River from Millwood Lake Dam to the mouth; Sulphur River from Wright Petman Dam to the mouth; McKinney Bayou, Hudson Creek, Maniese Bayou, and Bois d'Arc Creek, Arkansas.

Applicant: Roel Lopez, College Station, Texas, permit number TE079849-0.

The applicant requests authorization to trap Lower Keys rabbits (*Sylvilagus palustris hefneri*) from source populations and translocate them to Little Pine and Water Keys. Four Lower Keys rabbits (2 males and 2 females) would be introduced to Water Key. Two Lower Keys rabbits would be translocated to Little Pine Key to supplement genetic diversity and to resist negative effects of demographic stochasticity (random events) on a small founder population. The proposed activities would take place in Boca Chica Key, Lower Sugarloaf Key,